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Application No. : 09/832,581  
Applicant(s) : Michael Donovan Mitchell, et al.  
Filed : April 11, 2001  
Title : Filters and Filter Materials for the Removal of  
Microorganisms and Processes for Using the Same  
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of September 25, 2003, the time for response being extended by one month, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account in the papers submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. Attached hereto is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time (constructively PTO Form SB/17), and the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a), providing for a timely response up to and including January 25, 2004.

Additionally, in response to the Advisory Action of December 23, 2003, this Amendment has been placed in proper form according to 37 CFR 1.121.

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